

**NONPROVISIONAL PATENT
APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL RULE §1.53(b)
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): ELECTROLYTE MEMBRANE/ELECTRODE ASSEMBLY OF SOLID POLYMER ELECTROLYTE FUEL CELL

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- 41 pages of Specification/Claims 1-4/Abstract are attached.
- Formal drawings (Fig(s). 1-6; 6 sheet(s)) is/are attached.
- A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
- An assignment of the invention to _____ is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.
- An Information Disclosure Statement is attached, along with Form PTO-1449, and _____ reference(s).
- This application is entitled to Small Entity Status.
- A Preliminary Amendment is attached.
- Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence --This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. _____, filed _____.
- Priority of foreign application Nos. 2000-204131 filed July 5, 2000 in Japan and 2000-256157 filed August 25, 2000 in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
- A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign applications is attached.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

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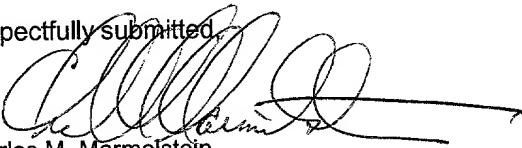
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x 40 =	\$
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TOTAL	\$

LARGE ENTITY

OR	RATE	Fee
OR		\$ 710
OR	x 18	\$
OR	x 80	\$
OR	+270	\$ 270
OR	TOTAL	\$ 980

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Respectfully submitted,


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